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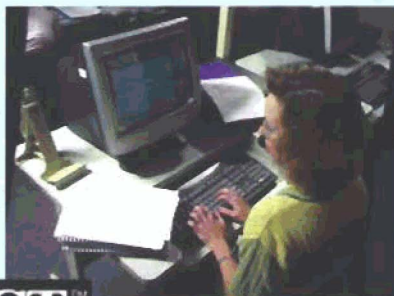
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**KENTUCKY
EMPLOYABILITY
CERTIFICATE**

Based on WorkKeys

**KENTUCKY
MANUFACTURING
SKILL STANDARDS
CERTIFICATE**



ACT WORKKEYS

System and the Kentucky Employability Certificate (KEC)

WHAT IS WORKKEYS?

WorkKeys is a standard system created by ACT for use in the business community. It allows businesses to have a common language regarding workplace skills through job profiling, skills assessment and instructional support. WorkKeys compares the skills of workers with the skills required by the job.

Using WorkKeys . . .

- **Employers** can identify and develop workers for a wide range of skilled jobs.
- **Students and workers** can document and advance their employability skills.
- **Educators** can tailor instructional programs to help students acquire the skills employers need

The KEC is based on three WorkKeys skill areas:

- Reading for Information
- Applied Math
- Locating Information

KENTUCKY EMPLOYABILITY CERTIFICATE (KEC)

The Kentucky Employability Certificate was created to provide skill-based credentials to Kentuckians to help them secure employment, provide employers with workers that have documented skills proficiency, and certify applicants that employers can hire with confidence.

Program Participants Can Receive:

A Silver or Gold Certificate endorsed and signed by the Governor upon completion.

- ✓ Silver Employability Certificate demonstrates the skill levels needed in 50% of today's jobs.
- ✓ Gold Employability Certificate demonstrates skill levels needed in 80% of today's jobs.

To learn more about the KEC, individuals and employers should contact their local adult education centers. Services are free of charge to adult education eligible learners.



KENTUCKY MANUFACTURING SKILL STANDARDS CERTIFICATE (KMSSC)

The KMSS certificate is based on academic, employability, and occupational skills identified by a taskforce that is necessary for employment in the manufacturing sector.

To earn a KMSS Certificate, a person must pass the KMSS Assessment at one of two levels:

- Basic Level I applicable to all manufacturing jobs
- Basic Level II applicable to high performance manufacturing jobs.



WHAT IS THE VALUE OF KMSS?

- A displaced worker may receive hiring preferences based on their performance on the KMSS
- An existing employee may receive a raise or bonus based on their performance.
- Counties will be able to showcase their workforce when recruiting manufacturers
- Manufacturers can hire with confidence.

To learn more about the KMSS Certificate, Contact your local Adult Education Center listed on this brochure. Services are free to Adult Education eligible learners.